GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
LABOUR
LOK SABHA

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GUIDELINES FOR P.F.
SHIVAJI MANE

Will the Minister of LABOUR be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had announced a time-frame for issuing guidelines to do away with the irregularities relating to the provident fund of lakhs of Government and Non-Government employees;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the programme has been implemented so far;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the action taken by the Government against those officers who are guilty of not implementing the programme?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LABOUR (SHRI ASHOK PRADHAN)

(a) to (e): Employees` Provident Fund & Miscellaneous Provisions Act, 1952 extends to non-Government employees working in 180 classes of industries/establishment specified in Schedule I of the Act or notified by Central Government and employing 20 or more persons.

In order to provide world class service to its subscribers, EPFO has launched a modernization programme which involves computerization of all its activities. The programme envisages reducing the turn around time of claim settlement to 2-3 days and will enable anywhere anytime service.

Wherever any default or irregularity is detected, action as per law is taken against the defaulting establishments as also against the personnel of Employees Provident Fund Organisation.